

LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
Southside Regional Local Human Rights Committee
Meeting of April 26, 2013

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PRESENT

Kathleen Dring, Psy.D., LHRC Chair
Dana Steele, LHRC, Vice Chair
Timothy Jones, Human Rights Advocate DBHDS
Rose Smith, Finney, Zimmerman Psychotherapy Assoc
Maria Suarez, Family Systems
Dee Talbert, Family Systems
James Jack, Pendleton Child Services Center
Shawnta Wright, Sarah's Place
Charlene Hoobler, The Barry Robinson Center
James Lassiter, Family Net
Damon Sutton, Paramount Youth Services
James Lassiter, Healthcare Svs Hampton Rds
Vonda Alston, One Vision & Assoc
Jeffrey Burns, Tidewater Psychotherapy
Sherry Ferebee, Va Support Group, LLC
Linda Bright, Healthcare Services of Hampton Roads
Kenneth Briggs, Sr., committee member
Christopher Phillips, Brighter Days Family Services
Angelo Morlino, Vito, Inc.
Ronnie Jones, Serenity Living Center
Corie Brown, Serenity Living Center
Peggy Lidstrom, Dominion Psychiatric, PLLC- Turning Point

ABSENT

Jennifer Branham, committee member
Karol Cason, Cason Community Behavioral

Kathleen Dring called the meeting to order at 9:05 am. A quorum was present. Mr. Timothy Jones attended the LHRC meeting on this date. Eleven reports were sent in ahead of time for this meeting. Mr. Jones reminded everyone that reports are to be sent in two weeks prior to the meeting date to Denise Henock at dhenock@barryrobinson.org. Ms. Henock will collect and email reports to Mr. Jones and committee members. Reports may also be sent to Mr. Jones at timothy.jones@dbhds.virginia.gov or faxed to (757)253-5440.

2013 Meeting Dates

The remaining meetings for 2013 will be held on the fourth Friday of July, and October of 2013. Reminder letters will be sent out prior.

Minutes

Minutes from the January 25, 2013 meeting were reviewed and approved with Ms. Steele motioning to approve the minutes and Mr. Briggs seconding the motion.

Advocate's Report

Mr. Jones reported that the CHRIS and DELTA systems would now be used to report any abuse/allegations reports. Mr. Jones reported that Phase II providers should now be utilizing the CHRIS system. Phase III providers, which is everyone else, will have training in the upcoming month. Phase II providers were identified as ICFMR providers. He noted that CHRIS training

was on Tuesday April 23 at Eastern State Hospital. There are also some upcoming webinars also being set up for training purposes. Mr. Jones stated he would be providing the dates for the upcoming webinars. Mr. Jones reported DELTA training would be on May 8th and May 14th by webinar.

Mr. Jones reported that there is currently a vacant consumer position now for over six months and that it now must be reported to the SHRC. He stated that it is the responsibility for the providers to find applicants.

Mr. Jones reported findings during recent site visits:

1. Complaints are not being reported (formal and informal)
2. Providers with AR – Program must do its own assessment. Once in place, it must be reviewed every six months, unless the program indicates that the individual will not regain capacity, in that case it is to be reviewed every year. If there is a legal guardian involved, the chart must note they are using the legal guardian.
3. Level System – All level systems must be brought before the LHRC before using it. Providers can obtain a variance if needed.

Old Business

None reported

New Business

1. Brighter Days Family Services – Residential Group Home – Chris Phillips requested affiliation. Mr. Jones discussed the policy revisions necessary (eliminating “seclusion”). Ms. Steele motioned to accept with the revisions requested with Mr. Briggs seconding the motion. Brighter Days Family Services is to resubmit the behavior management plan to the OHR after the revisions have been made.
2. Barry Robinson Center – Intensive Outpatient Program, Outpatient and Partial – Ms. Hoobler requested beginning services July 1, 2013 for Adolescent Outpatient IOP for co-occurring disorders (psychiatric and substance abuse). Mr. Jones discussed revisions to submission for acceptance. Barry Robinson Center is to also to correct their complaint resolution process due it being out of compliance with the state regulations. Ms. Hoobler will submit the changes to Mr. Jones. Ms. Steele motioned to accept the request with Mr. Briggs seconding the motion.
3. New Life – Approval of Level System for Mary’s House Group Home – Mr. Jones discussed the use of “time “out” in policies. Mr. Jones noted the required revision in Level V (revision of “cell phone usage”). These revisions will be sent to Mr. Jones. Ms. Steele motioned to accept with the revisions requested with Mr. Briggs seconding the motion.
4. Serenity Living – Revision of Behavior Management Policy - Ms. Steele motioned to accept the revision with Mr. Briggs seconding the motion.

Program Reports

1. Pendleton Child Services Center – James Jack reviewed the quarterly report, which indicated 23 clients were served in their residential and day-treatment programs. There were no abuse allegations. There were no restraints, complaints, or other human rights issues.

2. Tidewater Psychotherapy – Jeffery Burns reviewed the quarterly report, which indicated 111 clients were served. There were no restraints, complaints, or other human rights issues.
3. Finney, Zimmerman Psychiatric Associates – Rose Smith reported that Finney Zimmerman Psychiatric Associates served 29 adult clients in their intensive outpatient chemical dependency program and relapse prevention program. There were no restraints, complaints, or other human rights issues.
4. Paramount Youth Services – Damon Sutton reported that Paramount Youth Services served 12 clients. There was one abuse allegations which was determined to be unfounded. There is an internal investigation..
5. New Life and Family Systems – Maria Suarez reviewed her quarterly report. New Life: There were 3 clients served. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues. Family Systems: Clients served were 13 IHH; 42 MHSS; and 20 TH Day Tx. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
6. Vito Inc. – Angelo Morlino reviewed his quarterly report. His quarterly report indicated they served an average of 65 in-home and day support clients. There were no restraints, and one complaint.
7. Family Net – James Lassiter reviewed the quarterly report which indicated that 23 clients were served in the intensive in-home program. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
8. Dominion Psychiatric Associates, PLLC-Turning Point- Peggy Lidstrom reported Dominion Psychiatric served 11 clients in their Intensive Outpatient Chemical Dependency Program and aftercare program. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
9. Sarah's Place- Shawnta Wright reviewed her quarterly report. There were four clients served. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
10. One Vision and Associates- Vonda Alston reported there were 5 clients served. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
11. Health Care Services of Hampton Roads, Inc.- Linda Bright reported that they were providing mental health support to 22 consumers. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
12. The Barry Robinson Center – Charlene Hoobler reported that the average monthly census was 58. There were a total of 3 cases to go over in closed session. They were required to resubmit their quarterly report.
13. Serenity Living, LLC – Corie Brown reported currently having no clients. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.

Executive Session

A motion was made, seconded and passed that the LHRC enter into an Executive Session pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711 (A)4 for the protection of the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business, namely for the purpose of reviewing abuse/neglect allegations for The Barry Robinson Center.

Exit Executive Session

Upon reconvening into public session, the LHRC unanimously certified to the best of each member's knowledge, only public matters, lawfully exempt from statutory open meeting requirements, and only public business matters identified in the motion to reconvene this session, the Executive Session, were discussed in the Executive Session.

After reconvening into public session, the Southside Regional Local Human Rights Committee indicated that no recommendations were made regarding any abuse allegations.

There was no public comment. The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.